SENATE NO. 1081

AN ACT CLARIFYING THE TERM PROCEEDINGS FOR DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT CLAIMS

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, And by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended in subsection 2 in line 46 by inserting after at the end thereof the
- 3 following new sentence:- "The word "proceeding" in this paragraph shall be defined as
- 4 including all actions of a party, including attorneys and medical experts acting on behalf of a
- 5 party, that occur from the time that the claim is filed until the employee's claim is resolved and
- 6 the employee is not receiving any benefits pursuant to chapter 152 and there is no action
- 7 pending before the Department or any appellate court."